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VIA ECFS

June 12, 2014

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: **REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT** – *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90;
Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization, WC Docket No. 11-42

Request that Information Submitted to the Commission be Withheld from Public Inspection Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §0.459 and 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(4): Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan included in FCC Form 481

Confidential Financial Information – Subject to Protective Order in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109, CC Docket Nos. 01-92, 96-45, GN Docket No. 09-51, WT Docket No. 10-208, Before the Federal Communications Commission

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In accordance with the annual reporting requirements of 47 C.F.R. §§54.313 and 54.422, Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex (“Nortex” or “the Company”), Study Area Code 442116, is submitting a completed FCC Form 481 to the Commission via its Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) in WC Docket Nos. 10-90 and 11-42. The Company, by its authorized representative, hereby requests confidential treatment of two attachments to its FCC Form 481: (1) the five-year service quality improvement plan and (2) the financial annual report, both of which were redacted in the ECFS submission. The request for confidential treatment of the five-year plan is being made pursuant to section 0.459 of the Commission’s rules and Exemption 4 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). The request for confidential treatment of the financial annual report is being made pursuant to the FCC’s November 16, 2012 *Protective Order* in WC Docket No. 10-90 *et al.* These attachments contain competitively sensitive data that Nortex maintains as confidential and does not normally make available to the public. Release of this information would have a substantial negative impact on the Company.

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Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan

Pursuant to section 0.459 of the Commission's rules and Exemption 4 of FOIA, Nortex requests that the text and data extracted from its five-year service quality improvement plan be withheld from public inspection because it contains competitively sensitive commercial and financial information that the Company keeps confidential. Public availability of this information would have a substantial negative impact on the Company.

In accordance with section 0.459 of the Commission's rules, the following information is provided in support of this request:

(1) Identification of the specific information for which confidential treatment is sought:

Attachment to Line 112 of FCC Form 481 – Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan. Specifically, confidential treatment is sought for all information in the five-year plan related to the Company's access line counts, existing broadband capabilities, and its network investment plans through 2019 that will improve service quality for its customers.

(2) Identification of the Commission proceeding in which the information was submitted or a description of the circumstances giving rise to the submission:

The information was submitted in WC Docket Nos. 10-90 and 11-42 as an attachment to FCC Form 481- the Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection Form. Section 100 of FCC Form 481 requires incumbent local exchange carriers receiving high cost support to attach a five-year service quality improvement plan, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §§54.202(a)(1)(ii) and 54.313(a)(1).

(3) Explanation of the degree to which the information is commercial or financial, or contains a trade secret or is privileged:

The five-year service quality improvement plan contains granular information on the Company's access line counts and existing broadband capabilities as well as detailed plans for financial investments in its network through 2019 to improve service to subscribers. This is closely guarded, privileged information that the company does not make publicly available.

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- (4) Explanation of the degree to which the information concerns a service that is subject to competition:

Broadband is subject to increasing competition in the areas served by rural, rate-of-return incumbent local exchange carriers (RLECs). Virtually all RLECs face competition from one or more wireless Internet service providers. Most RLECs also face competition from at least one other wireline broadband provider such as a larger cable company, who will typically seek to “cherry pick” the lower cost portions of the study area. In addition, all RLECs face competition throughout their territories from satellite broadband providers.

- (5) Explanation of how disclosure of the information could result in substantial competitive harm:

Disclosure of the information contained in the five-year plan would provide competitors with detailed, granular information regarding the Company’s access line count, its existing broadband capabilities, and its strategic plans for network investments. This would give competitors invaluable confidential information with which to develop their own strategies for investing in the service area, thereby bringing substantial competitive harm to the Company.

- (6) Identification of any measures taken by the submitting party to prevent unauthorized disclosure:

The Company has continually treated the extracted information in its five-year plan as confidential and carefully controls the information to protect it from competitors. Access to the information is limited to employees that require it and to non-employees with confidentiality obligations such as lenders, consultants, auditors, and attorneys. In addition, when such information is required to be submitted to a state regulatory authority it has been filed as confidential information, not available to the public.

- (7) Identification of whether the information is available to the public and the extent of any previous disclosure of the information to third parties:

The redacted information in the five-year plan is not available to the public, and third party access is limited as described in (6) above.

- (8) Justification of the period during which the submitting party asserts that material should not be available for public disclosure:

The Company requests that the extracted information be withheld from public inspection indefinitely. Although the information reflects the Company’s service improvement plans for a five year period, it would provide a very useful baseline for competitors for several years beyond that period.

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- (9) Any other information that the party seeking confidential information treatment believes may be useful in assessing whether its request for confidentiality should be granted:

Exemption 4 of FOIA shields from public disclosure commercial or financial information obtained from a person that is privileged or confidential. Based on the responses provided above, the information in question satisfies this test.

Financial Annual Report

Section 3005 of FCC Form 481 requires a privately-held rate-of-return carrier receiving high cost support to attach a full and complete annual report of the company's financial condition and operations pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.313(f)(2). Nortex seeks confidential treatment of its financial annual report pursuant to the November 16, 2012 *Protective Order* in WC Docket No. 10-90, *et al.*¹ The *Protective Order* specifically covers information filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.313(f)(2).

Nortex is providing to the Office of the Secretary, under seal, this cover letter and the Form 481 filing which includes the confidential information that is being requested to be withheld from public inspection.

Each page of the five-year service quality improvement plan confidential submission bears the legend, "CONFIDENTIAL – NOT FOR PUBLIC DISCLOSURE."

Each page of the financial annual report confidential submission bears the legend, "CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION – SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER IN WC DOCKET NOS. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109, CC DOCKET NOS. 01-92, 96-45, GN DOCKET NO. 09-51, WT DOCKET NO. 10-208, BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION."

Two copies of the Form 481 filing in redacted form and an accompanying cover letter are also being provided with the confidential filing. Each page of the redacted filing and accompanying cover letter is marked "REDACTED – FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION."

Two copies of this cover letter and the Form 481 filing with the confidential information are also being delivered to Mr. Charles Tyler, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau.

¹ *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket No. 10-90 *et al.*, *Protective Order*, DA 12-1857 (rel. Nov. 16, 2012).

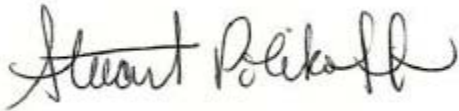
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The confidential information has also been submitted to the Universal Service Administrative Company through its E-File system as an attachment to the FCC Form 481.

This cover letter includes no confidential information and the text is the same in both the non-redacted and redacted versions except for the confidentiality markings.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Stuart Polikoff
Authorized Representative for
Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex

SEP/pjf

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Charles Tyler, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau,
Federal Communications Commission, (2 hardcopies of non-redacted submission)

Mr. Alan Rohmer, Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex

**FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting
Data Collection Form**

 FCC Form 481
 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
 July 2013

<010>	Study Area Code	442116
<015>	Study Area Name	MUENSTER DBA NORTEX
<020>	Program Year	2015
<030>	Contact Name: Person USAC should contact with questions about this data	Alan Rohmer
<035>	Contact Telephone Number: Number of the person identified in data line <030>	9407592251 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address: Email of the person identified in data line <030>	arohmer@nortex.com

ANNUAL REPORTING FOR ALL CARRIERS		54.313 Completion Required	54.422 Completion Required
(check box when complete)			
<100>	Service Quality Improvement Reporting (complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<200>	Outage Reporting (voice) (complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<210>	<input type="text"/> <-- check box if no outages to report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<300>	Unfulfilled Service Requests (voice) <input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<310>	Detail on Attempts (voice) (attach descriptive document)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<320>	Unfulfilled Service Requests (broadband) <input type="text" value="0"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<330>	Detail on Attempts (broadband) (attach descriptive document)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<400>	Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (voice)		
<410>	Fixed <input type="text" value="0.0"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<420>	Mobile <input type="text" value="0.0"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<430>	Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (broadband)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<440>	Fixed <input type="text" value="0.0"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<450>	Mobile <input type="text" value="0.0"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<500>	Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance (check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<510>	<input type="text" value="442116tx510.pdf"/> (attached descriptive document)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<600>	Functionality in Emergency Situations (check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<610>	<input type="text" value="442116tx610.pdf"/> (attached descriptive document)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<700>	Company Price Offerings (voice) (complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<710>	Company Price Offerings (broadband) (complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<800>	Operating Companies and Affiliates (complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<900>	Tribal Land Offerings (Y/N)? <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="radio"/> (if yes, complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<1000>	Voice Services Rate Comparability (check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<1010>	<input type="text" value="442116tx1010.pdf"/> (attach descriptive document)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<1100>	Terrestrial Backhaul (Y/N)? <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> (if not, check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<1110>	(complete attached worksheet)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<1200>	Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers (complete attached worksheet)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Price Cap Carriers, Proceed to Price Cap Additional Documentation Worksheet

Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers

<2000>	(check to indicate certification)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2005>	(complete attached worksheet)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Rate of Return Carriers, Proceed to ROR Additional Documentation Worksheet

<3000>	(check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<3005>	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(100) Service Quality Improvement Reporting Data Collection Form		FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<010>	Study Area Code	442116
<015>	Study Area Name	MUENSTER DBA NORTEX
<020>	Program Year	2015
<030>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	
<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	Alan Rohmer 9407592251 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	arohmer@nortex.com
<110>	Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC?	<input type="radio"/> (yes / no) <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<111>	If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing "5 year plan" filed with the FCC?	<input type="radio"/> (yes / no) <input type="radio"/>

If your answer to Line <111> is yes, then you are required to file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service.

442116t-x112.pdf

<112> Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(1). If your company is a CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.

Name of Attached Document

Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to § 54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.

<113>	Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets
<114>	Report how much universal service (USF) support was received
<115>	How (USF) was used to improve service quality
<116>	How (USF) was used to improve service coverage
<117>	How (USF) was used to improve service capacity
<118>	Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.

**(200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice)
Data Collection Form**

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(800) Operating Companies
Data Collection Form
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<810>	Reporting Carrier	Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications
<811>	Holding Company	Nortex Communications Company
<812>	Operating Company	Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications

[illegible]

(900) Tribal Lands Reporting Data Collection Form		FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<910>	Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves	
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<920>	Tribal Government Engagement Obligation	
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Name of Attached Document

If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes, No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to § 54.313(a)(9) includes:

Select (Yes, No, NA)

- <921> Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions.
- <922> Feasibility and sustainability planning;
- <923> Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- <924> Compliance with Rights of way processes
- <925> Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements
- <926> Compliance with Facilities Siting rules
- <927> Compliance with Environmental Review processes
- <928> Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes
- <929> Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.

(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting

Data Collection Form

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<1120> Please check this box to confirm no terrestrial backhaul options exist within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(G)

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<1130> Please check this box to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(G)

(1200) Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers

Lifeline Data Collection Form

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442116tx1210.pdf

Name of Attached Document

<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans

<1220>	Link to Public Website	HTTP
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"Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210, or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must annually report:

<1221>	Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers,	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1222>	Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan,	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1223>	Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

(2000) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation		FCC Form 481
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<i>Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers</i>		July 2013

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CHECK the boxes below to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental Connect America Phase I support, frozen High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(e) the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting		
<2010>	2nd Year Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)}	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2011>	3rd Year Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(2)}	<input type="checkbox"/>
Price Cap Carrier Receiving Frozen Support Certification {47 CFR § 54.312(a)}		
<2012>	2013 Frozen Support Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2013>	2014 Frozen Support Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2014>	2015 Frozen Support Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2015>	2016 and future Frozen Support Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)}		
<2016>	Certification Support Used to Build Broadband	<input type="checkbox"/>
Connect America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313(e)}		
<2017>	3rd year Broadband Service Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2018>	5th year Broadband Service Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2019>	Interim Progress Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>
<2020>	Please check the box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 2021, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (e)(3)(ii), as a recipient of CAF Phase II support shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.	

<2021>	Interim Progress Community Anchor Institutions	<div></div>
		Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(3000) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation		FCC Form 481
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CHECK the boxes below to note compliance on its five year service quality plan (pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

(3010)	Progress Report on 5 Year Plan	
	Milestone Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii))	

(3011)	Please check this box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3012 contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (f)(1)(ii), the carrier shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.	<input type="checkbox"/>
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(3012)	Community Anchor Institutions (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii))	
	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	

(3013)	Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2))	<input type="radio"/>
(3014)	If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report	<input type="radio"/>

Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:

(3015)	Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3016)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

(3017)	If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation	
	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	442116tx3017.pdf

(3018)	If the response is no on line 3014, Is your company audited?	<input type="radio"/>
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If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains

(3019)	Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications	<input type="checkbox"/>
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(3020)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows	<input type="checkbox"/>
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(3021)	Management letter issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit.	<input type="checkbox"/>
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If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:

(3022)	Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers,	<input type="checkbox"/>
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(3023)	Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant	<input type="checkbox"/>
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(3024)	Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.	<input type="checkbox"/>
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(3025)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows	<input type="checkbox"/>
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(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information	
	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	

Certification - Reporting Carrier Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients	
I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	
Signature of Authorized Officer:	Date
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	Filing Due Date for this form:
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

Certification - Agent / Carrier Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier
I certify that (Name of Agent) <u>Stuart Polikoff</u> is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.
Name of Authorized Agent: <u>Stuart Polikoff</u>
Name of Reporting Carrier: <u>MUENSTER DBA NORTEX</u>
Signature of Authorized Officer: <u>CERTIFIED ONLINE</u> Date: <u>06/10/2014</u>
Printed name of Authorized Officer: <u>Alan Rohmer</u>
Title or position of Authorized Officer: <u>Chief Financial Officer</u>
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: <u>9407592251 ext.</u>
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: <u>442116</u> Filing Due Date for this form: <u>06/30/2014</u>
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.
Name of Reporting Carrier: <u>MUENSTER DBA NORTEX</u>
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: <u>Stuart Polikoff</u>
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: <u>CERTIFIED ONLINE</u> Date: <u>06/10/2014</u>
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: <u>Stuart Polikoff</u>
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: <u>Senior Director - Business Compliance</u>
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: <u>5126527730 ext.</u>
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: <u>442116</u> Filing Due Date for this form: <u>06/30/2014</u>
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Attachments

LINE 112 – FIVE-YEAR SERVICE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Following is the initial five-year service quality improvement plan for Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications (“Nortex” or “the Company”) pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.202(a)(1)(ii) that requires an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) to describe proposed improvements or upgrades to the ETC’s network throughout its service area. The *USF/ICC Transformation Order* establishes a public interest obligation for rate-of-return ETCs to provide broadband service at speeds of at least 4 Mbps downstream and 1 Mbps upstream (4:1) “upon reasonable request.” A service quality improvement plan cannot project where in the service area reasonable requests will be made. However, the proposed service improvements in this plan result in the availability of 4:1 or better service to a greater portion of the Company’s service area than is currently available.

Although this plan is a good faith effort by the Company, it is subject to change, given the uncertainty faced by ETCs regarding whether capital investments will be recoverable over the five year planning horizon. Factors that may affect the capital improvements plan include erosion of the customer base due to competition, alternative technologies, economic conditions in the service area, and unpredictable changes in the universal service support amounts an ETC receives.

Nortex owns and operates six exchanges serving subscribers in north central Texas. The service area includes portions of Cooke, Denton, and Montague counties. This service area covers approximately 464 square miles.

Baseline Network Description



Table 1 – Current Broadband Capabilities

Exchange Name	Total Square Miles	Total Existing Access Lines	Estimated Total Population Served	Broadband Capable Lines	Estimated Broadband Capable Population	% Broadband Capable
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2014 – 2019 Service Quality Improvement Plan

Table 2 provides Nortex’s intended service quality improvements and associated capital expenditures for 2014 – 2019, by exchange, along with estimates of the population that will be served by the improvements.

Table 2 – Service Quality Improvement Plan

Exchange	Description of Improvement	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Estimated Population Served by Improvements
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Narrative Description: 2014 – 2015

[REDACTED]

Forestburg

[REDACTED]

Myra

[REDACTED]

Rosston

[REDACTED]

Valley View

[REDACTED]

System Level

[REDACTED]

Narrative Description: 2016 – 2019



LINE 510 - SERVICE QUALITY STANDARDS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION RULES COMPLIANCE

Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications (“the Company”) complies with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules for its voice and broadband services.

The rates, terms, and conditions under which the Company operates are outlined in its local exchange tariff, which is approved by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (“Texas PUC”). The tariff contains provisions regarding the Company’s customer service and protection practices.

Service quality standards for voice service are established by the Texas PUC. The Company consistently meets or exceeds those standards and provides reports to the Texas PUC, in accordance with the Texas PUC’s rules.

With regard to broadband service, the Company provisions its network and equipment to ensure that its customers can enjoy the speeds to which they subscribe. However, Internet speeds generally result from a “best effort” service and are dependent upon a number of variables, many of which are outside the control of the Company.

The Company complies with any and all consumer protection obligations under state law.

The Company also complies with the following consumer best practices: (1) the Company discloses its rates and terms of service to customers; (2) the Company provides specific disclosures in its advertising; (3) the Company separately identifies carrier charges from taxes on its billing statements; (4) the Company provides ready access to customer service; (5) the Company promptly responds to consumer inquiries and complaints received from government agencies; and (6) the Company abides by policies for protection of consumer privacy.

Finally, the Company has a policy and established operating procedures that comply with the FCC’s Customer Proprietary Network Information (CPNI) rules (47 C.F.R. §§64.2001-64.2011). Certification of the Company’s compliance with CPNI rules and a description of the Company’s operating procedures that ensure compliance are filed annually with the FCC.

LINE 610 – FUNCTIONALITY IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS

Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications (“the Company”) is able to function in emergency situations for both voice and broadband service. The Company has a reasonable amount of back-up power to ensure functionality without an external power source. Permanently installed standby power generators are supplied at the two primary central offices, and remote switch sites have a minimum of eight hours of backup battery capability and are equipped for portable emergency generators. The Company has four portable emergency generators it can utilize throughout its network to maintain power at remote sites. The network is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations.

The Company is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities. Although the Company’s ability to reroute traffic around damaged facilities is not absolute and may be limited in certain circumstances, there is a restoration plan in place for expeditious recovery of service, including splicing of damaged facilities when warranted. The Company has a portable splicing trailer fully equipped for fast response to cut facilities and has a portable Broadband Loop Carrier available to respond to damaged remote switching sites.

LINE 1010 – VOICE SERVICES RATE COMPARABILITY

The Wireline Competition Bureau's most recent reasonable comparability benchmark for voice services is \$46.96, which includes the federal subscriber line charge ("SLC").¹

In all of the exchanges served by Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications ("the Company"), the single-line residential local rate, including any mandatory extended area service charge, is \$18. When the federal SLC (\$6.50) and the state universal service fee (\$.67) are included, the rate becomes \$25.17. Therefore, the Company's pricing of fixed voice services is less than the reasonable comparability benchmark of \$46.96.

¹ *Wireline Competition Bureau Announces Results of Urban Rate Survey for Voice Services; Seeks Comment on Petition for Extension of Time to Comply With New Rate Floor*, WC Docket No. 10-90, DA 14-384 (rel. Mar. 20, 2014), p. 2.

LINE 1210 – TERMS & CONDITIONS OF VOICE TELEPHONY LIFELINE PLANS

Residential customers of Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications (“the Company”) who qualify for the Lifeline Program receive a discount of \$12.75 on local voice telephony service (\$9.25 federal discount + \$3.50 state discount).

For all of the Company’s exchanges, the Lifeline single-line residential local rate, including any mandatory extended area service charge and the federal subscriber line charge, is \$11.75 (\$24.50 standard rate - \$12.75 discount).

All single-line residential customers, including Lifeline customers, have an unlimited number of minutes for local calls made within the Dallas and Wichita Falls LATAs.

Toll charges for calls outside of the local calling area are determined by the long distance carrier of the customer’s choosing. Customers may also elect to subscribe to toll blocking at no charge.

Lifeline Program reductions do not apply to additional services such as information-related services and custom calling features. Lifeline customers may subscribe to these services, where available, at the same rates offered to other customers.

Lifeline customers may subscribe to any of the following service bundles that include residential local voice service and will receive a discount of \$12.75 from the regular price of the service bundle:

	<u>Tariff Price</u>	<u>Lifeline Discounted Price</u>
Nortex Choice Unlimited	\$52.50	\$39.75
Nortex Choice with Internet	\$67.50	\$54.75
Light Speed Choice	\$69.40	\$56.65
Light Speed 500	\$77.40	\$64.65
Light Speed Unlimited	\$84.40	\$71.65
Nortex Flex Pak one line	\$29.50	\$16.75
Nortex Flex Pak two lines	\$50.55	\$37.80

Additional information regarding the terms and conditions of voice telephony Lifeline plans can be found at <http://www.nortex.com/news-and-information/Lifeline-Notice>.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0572-0031. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 4 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

USDA-RUS OPERATING REPORT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS	<i>This data will be used by RUS to review your financial situation. Your response is required by 7 U.S.C. 901 et seq. and, subject to federal laws and regulations regarding confidential information, will be treated as confidential.</i> BORROWER NAME Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas (Prepared with Audited Data)	
INSTRUCTIONS- Submit report to RUS within 30 days after close of the period. For detailed instructions, see RUS Bulletin 1744-2. Report in whole dollars only.	PERIOD ENDING December, 2013	BORROWER DESIGNATION TX0613

CERTIFICATION We hereby certify that the entries in this report are in accordance with the accounts and other records of the system and reflect the status of the system to the best of our knowledge and belief. ALL INSURANCE REQUIRED BY 7 CFR PART 1788, CHAPTER XVII, RUS, WAS IN FORCE DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD AND RENEWALS HAVE BEEN OBTAINED FOR ALL POLICIES. DURING THE PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REPORT PURSUANT TO PART 1788 OF 7CFR CHAPTER XVII <i>(Check one of the following)</i>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All of the obligations under the RUS loan documents have been fulfilled in all material respects.	<input type="checkbox"/> There has been a default in the fulfillment of the obligations under the RUS loan documents. Said default(s) is/are specifically described in the Telecom Operating Report
<u>Alan Rohmer</u>	<u>3/27/2014</u> DATE

PART A. BALANCE SHEET					
ASSETS	BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	BALANCE END OF PERIOD	LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	BALANCE END OF PERIOD
CURRENT ASSETS			CURRENT LIABILITIES		
1. Cash and Equivalents			25. Accounts Payable		
2. Cash-RUS Construction Fund			26. Notes Payable		
3. Affiliates:			27. Advance Billings and Payments		
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable			28. Customer Deposits		
b. Other Accounts Receivable			29. Current Mat. L/T Debt		
c. Notes Receivable			30. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur. Dev.		
4. Non-Affiliates:			31. Current Mat.-Capital Leases		
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable			32. Income Taxes Accrued		
b. Other Accounts Receivable			33. Other Taxes Accrued		
c. Notes Receivable			34. Other Current Liabilities		
5. Interest and Dividends Receivable			35. Total Current Liabilities (25 thru 34)		
6. Material-Regulated			LONG-TERM DEBT		
7. Material-Nonregulated			36. Funded Debt-RUS Notes		
8. Prepayments			37. Funded Debt-RTB Notes		
9. Other Current Assets			38. Funded Debt-FFB Notes		
10. Total Current Assets (1 Thru 9)			39. Funded Debt-Other		
NONCURRENT ASSETS			40. Funded Debt-Rural Develop. Loan		
11. Investment in Affiliated Companies			41. Premium (Discount) on L/T Debt		
a. Rural Development			42. Reacquired Debt		
b. Nonrural Development			43. Obligations Under Capital Lease		
12. Other Investments			44. Adv. From Affiliated Companies		
a. Rural Development			45. Other Long-Term Debt		
b. Nonrural Development			46. Total Long-Term Debt (36 thru 45)		
13. Nonregulated Investments			OTHER LIAB. & DEF. CREDITS		
14. Other Noncurrent Assets			47. Other Long-Term Liabilities		
15. Deferred Charges			48. Other Deferred Credits		
16. Jurisdictional Differences			49. Other Jurisdictional Differences		
17. Total Noncurrent Assets (11 thru 16)			50. Total Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits (47 thru 49)		
PLANT, PROPERTY, AND EQUIPMENT			EQUITY		
18. Telecom, Plant-in-Service			51. Cap. Stock Outstand. & Subscribed		
19. Property Held for Future Use			52. Additional Paid-in-Capital		
20. Plant Under Construction			53. Treasury Stock		
21. Plant Adj., Nonop. Plant & Goodwill			54. Membership and Cap. Certificates		
22. Less Accumulated Depreciation			55. Other Capital		
23. Net Plant (18 thru 21 less 22)			56. Patronage Capital Credits		
24. TOTAL ASSETS (10+17+23)			57. Retained Earnings or Margins		
			58. Total Equity (51 thru 57)		
			59. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (35+46+50+58)		

Total Equity = 64.57% % of Total Assets

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<p>INSTRUCTIONS- See RUS Bulletin 1744-2</p>		
<p>PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS OR MARGINS</p>		
ITEM	PRIOR YEAR	THIS YEAR
1. Local Network Services Revenues		
2. Network Access Services Revenues		
3. Long Distance Network Services Revenues		
4. Carrier Billing and Collection Revenues		
5. Miscellaneous Revenues		
6. Uncollectible Revenues		
7. Net Operating Revenues (1 thru 5 less 6)		
8. Plant Specific Operations Expense		
9. Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense (Excluding Depreciation & Amortization)		
10. Depreciation Expense		
11. Amortization Expense		
12. Customer Operations Expense		
13. Corporate Operations Expense		
14. Total Operating Expenses (8 thru 13)		
15. Operating Income or Margins (7 less 14)		
16. Other Operating Income and Expenses		
17. State and Local Taxes		
18. Federal Income Taxes		
19. Other Taxes		
20. Total Operating Taxes (17+18+19)		
21. Net Operating Income or Margins (15+16-20)		
22. Interest on Funded Debt		
23. Interest Expense - Capital Leases		
24. Other Interest Expense		
25. Allowance for Funds Used During Construction		
26. Total Fixed Charges (22+23+24-25)		
27. Nonoperating Net Income		
28. Extraordinary Items		
29. Jurisdictional Differences		
30. Nonregulated Net Income		
31. Total Net Income or Margins (21+27+28+29+30-26)		
32. Total Taxes Based on Income		
33. Retained Earnings or Margins Beginning-of-Year		
34. Miscellaneous Credits Year-to-Date		
35. Dividends Declared (Common)		
36. Dividends Declared (Preferred)		
37. Other Debits Year-to-Date		
38. Transfers to Patronage Capital		
39. Retained Earnings or Margins End-of-Period [(31+33+34) - (35+36+37+38)]		
40. Patronage Capital Beginning-of-Year		
41. Transfers to Patronage Capital		
42. Patronage Capital Credits Retired		
43. Patronage Capital End-of-Year (40+41-42)		
44. Annual Debt Service Payments		
45. Cash Ratio [(14+20-10-11) / 7]		
46. Operating Accrual Ratio [(14+20+26) / 7]		
47. TIER [(31+26) / 26]		
48. DSCR [(31+26+10+11) / 44]		

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Part C. SUBSCRIBER (ACCESS LINE), ROUTE MILE, & HIGH SPEED DATA INFORMATION							
	1. RATES		2. SUBSCRIBERS (ACCESS LINES)			3. ROUTE MILES	
EXCHANGE	B-1 (a)	R-1 (b)	BUSINESS (a)	RESIDENTIAL (b)	TOTAL (c)	TOTAL (including fiber) (a)	FIBER (b)
Valley View East	20.95	14.50					
Valley View	20.95	14.50					
Myra	27.95	18.00					
Muenster	20.95	14.50					
Rosston	20.95	14.50					
Forestburg	20.95	14.50					
MobileWireless							
Route Mileage Outside Exchange Area							
Total							
No. Exchanges	6						

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Part C. SUBSCRIBER (ACCESS LINE), ROUTE MILE, & HIGH SPEED DATA INFORMATION								
4. BROADBAND SERVICE								
Details on Least Expensive Broadband Service								
EXCHANGE	No. Access Lines with BB available (a)	No Of Broadband Subscribers (b)	Number Of Subscribers (c)	Advertised Download Rate (Kbps) (d)	Advertised Upload Rate (Kbps) (e)	Price Per Month (f)	Standalone/Pckg (f)	Type Of Technology (g)
Valley View East				3,000	512	29.95	Package	DSL
Valley View				3,000	512	29.95	Package	Fiber to the Home
Myra				3,000	512	29.95	Package	DSL
Muenster				3,000	512	29.95	Package	Fiber to the Home
Rosston				3,000	512	29.95	Package	DSL
Forestburg				3,000	512	29.95	Package	DSL
Total								

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INSTRUCTIONS- See RUS Bulletin 1744-2					
PART D. SYSTEM DATA					
1. No. Plant Employees	2. No. Other Employees	3. Square Miles Served	4. Access Lines per Square Mile	5. Subscribers per Route Mile	
19	27	478	7.21	2.72	
PART E. TOLL DATA					
1. Study Area ID Code(s) a. 442116 b. _____ c. _____ d. _____ e. _____ f. _____ g. _____ h. _____ i. _____ j. _____		2. Types of Toll Settlements (Check one) Interstate: <input type="checkbox"/> Average Schedule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cost Basis Intrastate: <input type="checkbox"/> Average Schedule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cost Basis			
PART F. FUNDS INVESTED IN PLANT DURING YEAR					
1. RUS, RTB, & FFB Loan Funds Expended					
2. Other Long-Term Loan Funds Expended					
3. Funds Expended Under RUS Interim Approval					
4. Other Short-Term Loan Funds Expended					
5. General Funds Expended (Other than Interim)					
6. Salvaged Materials					
7. Contribution in Aid to Construction					
8. Gross Additions to Telecom. Plant (1 thru 7)					
PART G. INVESTMENTS IN AFFILIATED COMPANIES					
INVESTMENTS (a)	CURRENT YEAR DATA		CUMULATIVE DATA		
	Investment This Year	Income/Loss This Year	Cumulative Investment To Date	Cumulative Income/Loss To Date	Current Balance
	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
1. Investment in Affiliated Companies - Rural Development					
2. Investment in Affiliated Companies - Nonrural Development					

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PART H. CURRENT DEPRECIATION RATES	
Are corporation's depreciation rates approved by the regulatory authority with jurisdiction over the provision of telephone services? (Check one)	
<input checked="checked" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
EQUIPMENT CATEGORY	DEPRECIATION RATE
1. Land and support assets - Motor Vehicles	
2. Land and support assets - Aircraft	
3. Land and support assets - Special purpose vehicles	
4. Land and support assets - Garage and other work equipment	
5. Land and support assets - Buildings	
6. Land and support assets - Furniture and Office equipment	
7. Land and support assets - General purpose computers	
8. Central Office Switching - Digital	
9. Central Office Switching - Analog & Electro-mechanical	
10. Central Office Switching - Operator Systems	
11. Central Office Transmission - Radio Systems	
12. Central Office Transmission - Circuit equipment	
13. Information origination/termination - Station apparatus	
14. Information origination/termination - Customer premises wiring	
15. Information origination/termination - Large private branch exchanges	
16. Information origination/termination - Public telephone terminal equipment	
17. Information origination/termination - Other terminal equipment	
18. Cable and wire facilities - Poles	
19. Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Metal	
20. Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Fiber	
21. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Metal	
22. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Fiber	
23. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Metal	
24. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Fiber	
25. Cable and wire facilities - Conduit systems	
26. Cable and wire facilities - Other	

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INSTRUCTIONS – See help in the online application.		
PART I – STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS		
1. Beginning Cash (Cash and Equivalents plus RUS Construction Fund)		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
2. Net Income		
<i>Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</i>		
3. Add: Depreciation		
4. Add: Amortization		
5. Other (Explain)		
<i>Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities</i>		
6. Decrease/(Increase) in Accounts Receivable		
7. Decrease/(Increase) in Materials and Inventory		
8. Decrease/(Increase) in Prepayments and Deferred Charges		
9. Decrease/(Increase) in Other Current Assets		
10. Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable		
11. Increase/(Decrease) in Advance Billings & Payments		
12. Increase/(Decrease) in Other Current Liabilities		
13. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operations		
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
14. Decrease/(Increase) in Notes Receivable		
15. Increase/(Decrease) in Notes Payable		
16. Increase/(Decrease) in Customer Deposits		
17. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Long Term Debt (Including Current Maturities)		
18. Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities & Deferred Credits		
19. Increase/(Decrease) in Capital Stock, Paid-in Capital, Membership and Capital Certificates & Other Capital		
20. Less: Payment of Dividends		
21. Less: Patronage Capital Credits Retired		
22. Other (Explain) Increase in Interest Receivable		
23. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Financing Activities		
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
24. Net Capital Expenditures (Property, Plant & Equipment)		
25. Other Long-Term Investments		
26. Other Noncurrent Assets & Jurisdictional Differences		
27. Other (Explain) Deduction in Accum Depr for Retirement in PPE		
28. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities		
29. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash		
30. Ending Cash		

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